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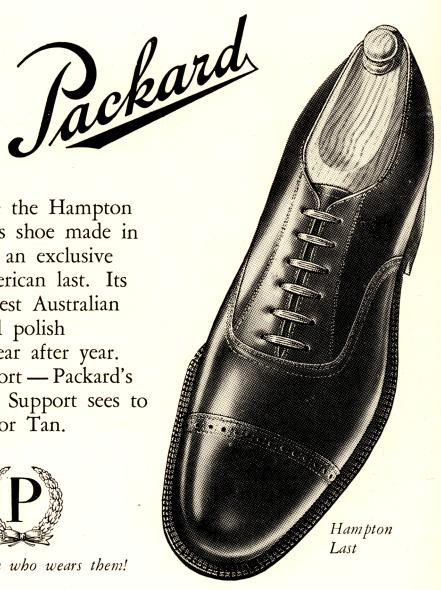
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# EDITORIAL: Peace on Earth; Goodwill toward Men

Now is the season when geese despond and turkeys make their will; now is the time when husbands are in the boom in expectation of largesse; now is the time when the boy who knows a girl, and the girl who knows a boy, are wondering what the other would appreciate; now approaches the glorious season of the year, the period of goodwill—Christmas!

Unfortunately, across this Christmas is drawn the shadow of war. Some see in it a deepening shadow. This may pass. All are hoping, and thrusting despair out of their hearts. The joybells will ring and the choristers sing "Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus..." So the old world goes on from Christmas, experiencing its periods of brutality and tears, but never wholly losing its humanity. In a spirit of hopefulness then let us extend greetings one to the other, a smile on our lips and a song in our hearts.



ROY BARMBY, in a note of greetings from Los Angeles to his friends, enthuses about L.A., about the food and about the Scotch. But, he says, "How those dollars do GO!"

ERNIE HEAD has been warning his friends to Keep Away. The youngest guest in his house his year-old grandson Peter -has the measles. Ernie Head considers himself in a sort of quarantine; for part of the month he has been watching daily for the spots to appear.

TWO of Sydney's hospitals last month had much more than their usual share of Club members. In Buena Vista, Bellevue Hill, were Ken Ranger, E. J. Coyle, L. J. Haigh. In St. Vincent's, W. M. Gollan and Harry Tancred. To them, and to any other members on the sick list, we all wish a speedy and complete recovery.

TERVIS BAY, rendezvous of many Club members, suffered the attentions during the month of John Barton, Claude Manning, Dick Mills, Jim Henderson, Stuart Murray, all on holiday. They were suitably looked after by Bill Foley and Tom Cox, after experiencing the hospitality of Wally Watson at Nowra on the way down.

A MONG the older members who are great examples of how Club life keeps one bale and hearty is Bob Price. Bob has been with us for 40 odd years . . . since 1907 to be exact.



The Chairman and Committee wish all members

A MERRY CHRISTMAS and a

HAPPY NEW YEAR

SEVERAL members came close to fortune on Cup day. Jack Roles and Bill Sellen shared a draw of Bhutan in a £50,000 consultation. Ken Fidden, Jim Collins and Rob McLeish shared Conductor for £25,000. If either of these had come home there would have been celebrations to be remembered!

P. DUGAN, back from a fairly lengthy trip abroad, says it was raining the day he left, raining the day he came back. He wondered whether it bad been raining continuously all the time between, and was a little surprised when he was seriously told "yes."

A MONG a number of members who returned from abroad recently to be back with us for Christmas are Len Robinson and J. H. Wood, Frank Paul, Ian Jacoby, Percy Tuit.

THE other side of the picture -Among several friends who have recently left for overseas to be on holiday at Christmas are Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Bloom, on their way to England.

THRIFT is a virtue; and Claude Fortescue counts one of his friends as very virtuous. Every month Claude sends this friend an account. Every month the friend carefully peels open the envelope, writes his cheque, replaces it in the same envelope, reseals and restamps it, readdresses it back to Claude. The post office gets a little confused occasionally with the multiple postmarks, but apart from that everything is all rightand each month an envelope is saved. And this has been going on for years.

# Happy Birthday to You!

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Members are invited to notify the

Editor of the date of their Birthday.

H IS friends and acquaintances will be glad to know that Cyril Brice is slowly improving from his recent illness.

CLAUDE PARKER and Bill McDonald recently had a successful trip to Melbourne—not for the racing, but to take part in their favourite sport of clay-pigeon shooting.

GENIAL George Lewis is away on a pleasure trip to Colombo. It is reliably reported that his gout is travelling with him.

MR. ROOD TARTE, of Fiji, who has been a member of Tattersall's for nearly thirty years, is again amongst us for a couple of months renewing old acquaintances.

Mr. Tarte's father was an early settler in Fiji about 100 years ago and Rood was born there.

In his younger days, Rood bred, trained and rode race-horses and he recalls with pleasure that one day he won the programme, riding every winner and the "Fiji Times" and "Herald" came out with headlines "Rood Tarte's Benefit Meeting."

Racing in Fiji has not been revived since the beginning of World War II.

THERE will be rejoicing in our affiliated club, the San Francisco Olympic. Arthur D. Larsen, who took the final of the N.S.W. Tennis Championship from Frank Sedgman, is an On 27th Olympic Club star. September, the Olympic gave a dinner in his honour at Lakeside, their country-club division, to congratulate him on his U.S. National Singles Championship win. There should be another dinner waiting for him when he gets back.

TOM COOK, although unable to watch his mare Iolanda win the Rosehill Handicap on the 28th October, listened to the race in very pleasant circum-With Mrs. Cook, he stances. was aboard the Stratheden on the way to Melbourne. Also on board were Larry Howard and his wife, Harry Brett and his wife, Phil Lusk, and several other members. Apparently they showed more confidence in their assessment of the mare's abilities than Tom Cook; when the broadcast came over, there was such a shout of triumph when the mare came home that Tom wasn't able to hear what came second and third. Again, when the odds came over later in the day (Iolanda paid fourteens), another shout drowned the names of the placegetters. It wasn't until he bought a back copy of the day's paper in Melbourne that Tom Cook found that his horse had handsomely beaten Romany King and Great World.

THERE has to be a first time for everything. And the first time (as far as we know) that a Club member has appeared in a newspaper comic strip is the current Chesty Bond, featuring Malcolm Fuller!

S OME people like leisurely holidays; and some people like travelling holidays; and some people like strenuous holidays. In this last category please put Norman White and Dr. Eisenberg. They have just spent some while tramping in the country around Kosciusko.

TWO more members who have been on the sick list are Joe Matthews and Charles Salon. Again, best wishes for a quick return to health.

T'S extremely irritating to have made a mistake, and be able to blame only yourself. And your editor made an error in the last issue. In talking to Ben Jordan, Jnr., about our affiliated clubs in the States it was mentioned that several of them (particularly the L.A. Athletic and the Chicago Lake Shore) afforded accommodation not only to members, but to their wives travelling with them. Making an assumption, we reported that Mrs. Jordan was with Ben on his recent trip. This was not Our apologies! 50.

# Newcastle Tattersall's Meeting

The second of Newcastle Tattersall's annual race meetings, the entire proceeds of which are donated to charity, was held on Saturday, 4th November.

U NFORTUNATELY rain set in during the morning and greatly reduced the attendance causing the Club to incur a loss.

Owner-trainer R. Huxham must have set a record for his unusual feat of collecting all the trophies presented for the day when his mare Sea Blue won the Bert Light and James Clayton Handicaps. Both these

races were named after our former Club members.

Representing our Club, Chairman John Hickey, Committeemen Bill Sellen and Arthur Miller, and member Ray Vaughan were extended a marvellous reception from Newcastle President Dave Mackie and his Committee, whose hospitality left nothing to be desired.

# "God rest you, merry gentlemen, Let nothing you dismay" . . .

A S you reach for the indigestion powder on Boxing Day; as you examine your depleted pocket-book and bank account in early January, you may be interested to contemplate How This All Began.

Celebration of pagan festivities to mark the northern winter solstice—after which the days started to "get longer"—long pre-dates the Christian era. In the early Christian Church, it was usual to centre the religious year around 25th March, the traditional date of Christ's crucifixion, following the custom of commemorating the death of persons, rather than their birthdate.

The Philolacian Calendar of 336 A.D. makes the first mention of Christmas Day as the 25th December. The Eastern Christian Church celebrated the same day on 6th January, but the Western Church superim-

posed the day on the old Pagan Roman festival of "Sol Invictus," the rebirth of the sun... a time of feasting. As Christianity spread north, Christmas also absorbed the ancient Yule festival of the Norsemen... a time of eating, drinking and ceremonial log-burning in honour of growing things and particularly trees, which were often decorated.

The day of Santa Claus (St. Nicholas) is really 6th December, once a day of giving presents to children. Now this day has become entangled with Christmas, with ruinous effects on father's pocket-book.

Pagan customs persisted on Christmas Day and the Church countered by the presenting of plays, pageants and singing of the Nativity—the origin of Carols.

Does all this make you feel better?

### HANDBALL

THE warmer weather and the absence of several of the competitors has slowed down the progress of the Handball Championship. In the A Grade, G. McGilvray will face the winner of P. Lindsay v. B. Partridge in the final.

In the B Grade, G. Boulton will play Z. Lazarus; Lazarus beat G. Goldie during the month, 21-12, 21-14.

In C Grade, J. Eastment will face W. Kirwan in the final. The games between Kirwan and W. Sellen resulted in a win for Kirwan, 21-10, 21-11.

It's expected that the finals in all three grades will produce some spectacular play that will be well worth watching.

At the close of the championship, a summer handball knockout competition will be conducted, of 31 points up. Entries are required to be posted on the 3rd floor notice-board by 12th December.

# TATTERSALL'S CLUB



# BOOKING OFFICE

# FIRST FLOOR

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Members requiring plane travel, theatre or stadium seats, hire cars or floral work may call or phone.

HOURS

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M. D. J. DAWSON, Secretary.

# BOWLING NOTES

# Two Matches Played: "Cup" Delays Competition

Since our last notes were written only two matches have been played and no further games decided in the teams competition as many of our members were in Melbourne for the Cup Carnival or others at Katoomba for the Blue Mountains Bowls Week.

O N 26th October our bi-annual match against Waverley Club took place at Double Bay, where we entertained our guests at luncheon which, by the way, was splendidly served by the staff of the Double Bay Club and generally voted an excellent repast.

President Ted Dewdney welcomed our guests who were led by V.P. Mick Faul. Waverley President, Lyle Moore, unavoidably absent, came along later in the day and we were glad to see this popular President.

After luncheon, the match, 8 rinks a side, was played, and resulted in a win for Waverley by 19 points, but we did well to keep it to that figure as they had many players of note in their rinks.

### Waverley Details

Hole, Peters, Broadbent, Hill 14, Coulson, Leeson, Emanuel, C., Fingleton (W.), 32; Monro, Gawler, Trainor, Mc-Intosh (T.), 20, Moran, Clark, O'Brien, Mullane (W.), 28; Bavington, Harris, Irwin, Dewdney Plumb, Ravner, (T.). 23, Thailer, Faul (W.), 26; Alexander, Williams, Read, Bloomfield (T.), 32, Symonds, Blanche, Preece, Childs (W.), 14; Gillespie, Price, McDonald, Jones (T.), 30, Spyer, Knowles, Bradshaw, Johnson (W.), 10; Young, Alderson, Krieger, Kippax (T.), 26, Emanuel, Manion, Coulson, Mil-

ler (W.), 29; Levey, Abbott, Booth, Eaton (T.), 14, Switson, Speyer, H. W. Stone, Thirley (W.), 41; Mitchell, Ball, Plasto, Traversi (T.), 21, Dunrich, Sampson, DeSaxe, Crome (W.),

Totals: Waverley, 209, Tatts

On November 2 we played four rinks from Pratten Park at Double Bay and although a very good afternoon was enjoyed, we had to accept a licking.

### Pratten Park Details

Crossing, Skelton, Davies, Guy (P.P.), 35, Monro, Peters, Broadbent, Jones (T.), 23; Os-Thompson, borne. Loomes, Leach (P.P.), 21, Mitchell, Ball, Read, Traversi (T.), 26; J. Booth, Brown, Chessell, Warman (P.P.), 31, Abbott, Hole, Gawler, Collins (T.), 19; Rust, Galbraith Lammey, Nicol, (P.P.), 27, Bavington, Hathaway, Williams, Hill (T.), 23.

Totals: Pratten Park 110, Tatts. 95.

### Vaucluse Cancelled

The match against Vaucluse set down for November 16 was unfortunately washed out.

We are glad to welcome home Stan Chatterton from his trip abroad. Stan looks very fit and it will be good to have him playing with us again.

This month's "Gold Award" goes to Herbert Jones, for the outstanding game he played as Skip against Waverley.

We hope to complete the fours competition at a very early date, and Hon. Secretary Gordon Booth is now arranging a good programme for 1951.

### **OBITUARIES**

BYERS, ARTHUR T—Elected 12/8/1912; Died 4/11/1950.

KINKEAD, JAMES J. — Elected 18/9/1933; Died 15/11/1950.

GRIGSBY, J. E. — Elected 23/8/1943; Died 12/11/1950.

KEARNS, PATRICK—Elected 24/2/1936; Died 24/11/1950.

ADAMS, SIDNEY, J.—Elec. ted 30/5/1932; Died 25/11/1950.

WARDEN, ROBERT P.—Elected 25/7/1934; Died 27/11/50.

IT is with regret that we record the death of Bob Warden. Scarcely two months ago, members were toasting his good health when he "shouted" at lunch-time in the first-floor bar, to celebrate his win of a £12,000 "Special" Lottery.

Bob Warden was elected to the Club in 1934. For some while previous to that he had been a fielder at A.R.C. meetings, and on the merger in 1933, he was granted a Paddock licence. Apart from his bookmaking activities, he generally had a horse or two in training, but never had any outstanding successes as owner.

# **Maurice McCarten**

Premier Trainer

## **Modest about Success**

Maurice McCarten has just completed two very successful years as trainer, and is heading apparently for a satisfactory third. He was premier trainer in N.S.W. in 1948-49, with 31 winners, 33 seconds, and 23 thirds. And again in this last season, 1949-50, with 30 firsts, 23 seconds and 27 thirds.

BUT if you ask him in the Club about his success he is apt to give you a whole host of reasons that have nothing to do with his own ability. He will tell you that he has been exceptionally lucky; he will tell you that his staff at his Randwick stables - particularly foreman Bill Jarvis—is responsible for the long list of winners and placegetters; he will tell you that other trainers from whom he has studied, gave him a grounding in sound methods that he has merely continued; and he will give a lot of credit to owners who have given him their confidence over a long period in racing.

Maurice is a well-liked man in racing, as he is in the Club. And perhaps that is one of the biggest reasons why he has come so far since he took out his first trainer's licence in 1942. Just as an example, here is the story of his win with Putoko in the 2 Y.O. Novice at the Club's Meeting at Randwick on 13th May. Nearly 30 years ago McCarten met the owner of Putoko, Mr. Andrew Duncan. Mr. Duncan was a patron of New Zealand trainer Fred Tilley, to whom Maurice was apprenticed, and he took a liking to the young jockey. When Maur-

left N.Z. to try his luck in Sydney in 1925 Mr. Duncan promised not to forget him. friendship remained fresh over the years and when the 85-yearold owner sent Putoko over, it was to McCarten to train. Thirty years is a long time in racing, and confidence of an owner in apprentice, jockey and trainer over such a period must have some very sterling qualities to merit it. It is typical of the contacts and friendships that Maurice has made on and off the track.

The recent history of Sydney racing contains few instances of top-flight jockeys who have become equally notable trainers. McCarten is an outstanding exception. He was twice premier jockey in New Zealand, once in Sydney. had long planned to become a trainer when he retired, but training was thrust upon him sooner than he expected. was riding well in 1942 when the opportunity arose to take over Jack Jamieson's stables and team as a going concern. A fellow New Zealander, Jamieson, trainer of High Caste, had come to an understanding with McCarten some while before, but a serious illness in 1942 brought that understanding to fruition far sooner than Maurice had



Maurice McCarten
(Photo. courtesy "S.M.H.")

expected. However, he took the risk.

Most of Jamieson's patrons stayed with the new trainer, and his first season was successful. Soon he was being sought-after by other owners and he began to look around for larger stables. Again, fortune was with him, and he was able to take over the Randwick stables of Mick Polson adjoining his own. Now, with a staff of more than 25, Maurice McCarten has one of Sydney's largest establishments.

Since 1942, Maurice has prepared 193 winners (and 6 deadheats), and his team has won £200,186/8/6 in racing stakes. His principal successes have Please turn Page 20



# Honours of the first month's swimming events of the new season went to Peter Lindsay, who carried off the Monthly Point Score in great style with a tally of 24½ points.

AFTER his winning performance Peter missed the next event and we heard one of his rivals say: "What a good sport to give the others a chance!" Sorry to spill the beans and spoil a good story, but Peter was away in Melbourne on business.

Geoff Eastment, winner of the first race of the season, was only 1½ points behind Lindsay with gallant George Goldie another two points astern, in third place.

Goldie won the first race of the new monthly series but, alas, he's been docked a second in the handicaps, which fate also befell Eastment in the same race, making his deduction two for the season.

Star turn of the month, however, was a win by Bill Kirwan, donor for years past of the "Native Son" trophy, in a 40 yards heat. Bill went in to make up a heat and, to roars of encouragement and "take a swab," he won by the proverbial street and broke his handicap by three seconds.

If only Sir Raven had been able to improve on his handicap the same way on the previous Saturday at Randwick it's a safe bet Bill would have been a happy man.

The Club welcomed some new starters in Ken Francis, K. Doyle and P. Paul and continues to tell members that they will all be very welcome.

We wondered why Handicapper Jack Gunton was looking so

smug the other day until we learned that he may now be addressed as "Grandpop." Son Geoff, a good club man, was presented on November 18 by his wife with a son. Congrats, Geoff!

Neil Barrell, after a temporary indisposition, has resumed racing and landed a heat win first up.

Our social light, big Bill Dovey, although in the throes of Law exams, has been going well and swam fast heat-winning times of the month, 20-2/5 and 20-3/5 secs. Hope the exams are passed as speedily, Bill!

Other good times were 20-1/5, Vic Richards! 21 Cedric Emanuel; 21-1/5 and 21-3/5, Harry Davis. Bill Kendall has not won a heat so far but, when he does, look out for a thrilling clocking.

Big event of this month will be the traditional Christmas Scramble which will come off during the week before Christmas. Look out for the exact date on the notice boards. Maybe there'll be no turkeys but there will be plenty of prizes of Christmas Cheer and it will be just bad luck (or bad swimming) if you don't take home something to put a kick into the season.

It is exciting news that during January Alex Jany, the French star and holder of world's records, will swim in the N.S.W. Championships at North Sydney Olympic Pool. This noted and much publicised speedster will

be well worth seeing and they say that Swimming Association officials are already busy delving into their French dictionaries for the big occasion. Heard Club member and big shot swimming official muttering in the Pool what sounded like "Comment allez vous" and such like, but we may have been mistaken.

### Results

31st October—80 yards Brace Relay Handicap:—A. E. Rainbow and K. Francis (48), 1; M. Sellen and J. Shaffran (44), 2; W. B. Phillips and W. Kendall (39), 3. Time 48 secs.

7th November — 40 yards Handicap:—1st Division Final: W. G. Dovey (21), 1; A. K. Webber (26), 2; S. Murray (24), 3. Time 20-3/5 secs. 2nd Division Final: P. Lindsay (23) and G. Boulton (22), 1; J. O. Dexter (22), 3. Times 23 and 22 secs.

14th November—80 yards Brace Relay Handicap:—G. Eastment and P. Lindsay (48), 1; G. Goldie and K. Donald (60), 2; S. B. Solomon and G. McGilvray (50), 3. Time 45-4/5 secs.

21st November—40 yards Handicap:—G. Goldie (35), 1; A. K. Webber (26), 2; C. Emanuel (21), 3. Time 33-4/5 secs.

# October-November Point Score

Final result of this series was—P. Lindsay,  $24\frac{1}{2}$  points, 1; G. Eastment, 23, 2; G. Goldie, 21, 3; W. Kendall,  $18\frac{1}{2}$ , 4; J. O. Dexter, 18, 5; S. Murray and G. McGilvray,  $17\frac{1}{2}$ , 6; K. Francis, 17, 8; J. Shaffran, A. K. Webber and W. G. Dovey, 16, 9; K. Donald and C. Hoole,  $14\frac{1}{2}$ , 12; W. B. Phillips, 13, 14.

## TATTERSALL'S CLUB-SYDNEY

# ANNUAL RACE MEETING

Entries for the following races will be received by the Secretary of Tattersall's Club only, subject to the Rules of Racing, By-Laws and Regulations of the Australian Jockey Club for the time being in force and by which the nominator agrees to be bound.

First Day:

Saturday, 30th Dec., 1950 SEVEN EVENTS Added Money - - - £6,100

TWO-YEAR-OLD NOVICE HANDICAP
(For Two-Year-Old Fillies)

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £7 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12 noon on Thursday, 28th December, 1950; with £700 added. Second horse £140, and third horse £70 from the prize. For two-year-old Fillies which have never, at time of starting, won a flat race (winner of a Maiden Race or Mixed Stakes Race as a maiden horse; an Improvers' Race or Mixed Stakes Race as a maiden norse; an improvers Race, Progressive Race, Moderate Race or an Intermediate Race excepted) of the value to the winner of more than £100. Lowest handicap weight not less than 7st.

Five Furlongs.

### THREE AND FOUR-YEAR-OLD HANDICAP

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £7 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12 noon on Thursday, 28th December, 1950; with £700 added. Second horse £140, and third horse £70 from the prize. For Three and Four-Year-Olds. Lovest handicap weight not less than 7st. One Mile.

## JUVENILE NOVICE HANDICAP

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(For two-year-old Colts and Geldings)

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £7 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12 noon on Thursday, 28th December, 1950; with £700 added. Second horse £140, and third horse £70 from the prize. For two-year-old Colts and Geldings which have never, at time of starting, won a flat race (winner of a Maiden Race, or Mixed Stakes Race as a maiden horse; an Improvers' Race, Progressive Race, Moderate Race or an Intermediate Race excepted) of the value to the winner of more than £100. Lowest handicap weight, not less than 7st.

Five Furlongs.

### THE CARRINGTON STAKES

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £15 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12 noon on Thursday, 28th December, 1950; with £1,750 added. Second horse £350, and third horse £175 from the prize. The winner of The Villiers Stakes or The Summer Cup, 1950, to carry such penalty, if any, not exceeding 10lb. as the Handicapper may impose and declare. Such declaration to be made not later than 10 o'clock a.m. on Wednesday, 27th December, 1950. (No allowances for Apprentices.) (Entries close at 3 p.m. on Monday, 27th November, 1950.)

### NOVICE HANDICAP

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £7 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12 noon on Thursday, 28th December, 1950; with £700 added. Second horse £140, and third horse \$70 from the prize. For horses which have never, at time of starting, won a flat race (winner of a Maiden Race or Mixed Stakes Race as a Maiden horse; an Improvers' Race, Progressive Race, Moderate Race or an Intermediate Race excepted) of the value to the winner of more than £100; provided that a winner, at time of starting, of a race or races for tvo-year-olds not exceeding in the aggregate £750 in value to the winner shall be eligible to compete. Lowest handicap weight, not less than 7st. One Mile and a Quarter.

### PACE WELTER

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £7 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12 noon on Thursday, 28th December, 1950; with £700 added. Second horse £140, and third horse £70 from the prize. Lowest handicap weight, not less than 7st. 7lb.

One Mile.

### DENMAN HANDICAP

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £8 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12 noon on Thursday, 28th December, 1950; with £850 added. Second horse £160, and third horse £80 from the prize. Lowest handicap weight, not less than 7st.

One Mile and a Quarter.

Second Day:

Monday, 1st January, 1951 SEVEN EVENTS

Added Money - - - £6,500 (including Gold Cup valued at £150)

### NEW YEAR'S GIFT

(For Three-Year-Olds)

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £7 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 8.30 p.m. on Saturday, 30th December, 1950; with £700 added. Second horse £140, and third horse £70 from the prize. For three-year-olds at time of starting. Lowest handicap weight, not less than 7st.

Seven Furlongs.

### NURSERY HANDICAP

(For Two-Year-Olds)

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £7 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 8.30 p.m. on Saturday, 30th December, 1950; with £700 added. Second horse £140, and third horse £70 from the prize. For two-year-olds. Lowest handicap weight, not less than 7st. Five Furlongs.

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One Mile and a Half. (Entries close at 3 p.m. on Monday, 27th November, 1950.) (Entries close at 3 p.m. on Monday, 27th November, 1950.)

### **ENCOURAGE HANDICAP**

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A Handicap Sweepstakes of £7 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 8.30 p.m. on Saturday, 30th December, 1950; with £700 added. Second horse £140, and third horse £70 from the prize. Lowest handicap weight, not less than 8st. 7lb.

Seven Furlongs.

### ALFRED HILL HANDICAP

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £8 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 8.30 p.m. on Saturday, 30th December, 1950; with £800 added. Second horse £160, and third horse £80 from the prize. Lowest handicap weight, not less than 7st. 7lb.

One Mile.

# The First Tattersall's Cup

# Colourful Meeting, 25th Jan., 1868

The Annual Race Meeting of 1868 was a red letter day for the club. Homebush came in with a race meeting on No doubt Tattersall's Club's Committee January 1st. stood off that day with the idea that later on in the month his Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh would be in Sydney.

SUCH was the case and the Committee had the honour of entertaining him on the occasion of their first Cup Meeting on January 25, 1868.

Here is the story of the first Tattersall's Cup in 1868.

It is told in the language of the time and is an extract from the Club's history as compiled by Frank Wilkinson "Martindale" in 1922.

For this occasion the Committee had drawn up a 7 event programme, the added money to which, including the Cup Trophy, was 950 sovs.

Entries totalled 84, of which 13 were in the cup while 22 were nominated for the Duke of Edinburgh Stakes.

There were 53 starters for the different events, 9 of which contested in the Cup.

In those days there was a fair amount of wagering done in the long room.

On the night prior to the Cup the bookmakers were doing business on both Tattersall's and the forthcoming Sydney Cup.

For the former the most fancied ones were Bulginbare, Beatrice, The Pitsford and North Australian.

The Sydney Cup selections were Tim Whiffler, Fireworks and The Barb.

The last named won a £2 Calcutta Sweep on Tattersall's Cup and realised generally satisfactory prices.

Horses that sold best were Bulginbare, Beatrice, The Pitsford, Sultana, North Australian, Premier, Phoebie and St. John.

There was a great crowd on the course.

The Duke of Edinburgh drove out himself in a four-in-hand (all greys).

The illustrious driver handled the ribbons in a most capable manner and was accompanied by Earl Belmore, Lord Murray, Lord Bertram Gordon and Hon. Elliott Yorke, and remained until after the last race.

Luncheon was served to His Highness in a spacious marquee in the Saddling Paddock by the Club caterer, Mr. W. J. O'Brien. There were 25 to lunch.

The bill of fare not only included all delicacies of the season, but many culinary novelties which were particularly of a colonial character.

For instance, Wonga Wonga pigeon and other specimens of native game, also a haunch of alpacca.

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ENTRIES are to be made with the Secretary of Tattersall's Club, Sydney, only, as follows:—
The Carrington Stakes and Tattersall's Club Cup before 3 p.m. on Monday, 27th November, 1950.
Minor races (both days) before 3 p.m. on Monday, 11th December, 1950.

The Carrington Stakes and Tattersall's Club Cup at 10 a.m., Monday, 11th December, 1950.

Minor races, First Day, at 10 o'clock a.m., Wednesday, 27th December, 1950.

Minor races, Second Day, at 7 o'clock p.m., Saturday, 30th December, 1950. WEIGHTS to be declared as follows:-

ACCEPTANCES are due with the Secretary of Tattersall's Club only as follows:—
For all races on the First Day, before 12 noon, Thursday, 28th December, 1950, and For all races on the Second Day, before 8.30 p.m., Saturday, 30th December, 1950.

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The Committee reserves to itself the right to reject, after acceptance time, all or any of the entries of the lower weighted horses accepting in any race in excess of the number of horses which would be run in such a race without a division. The horses on the same weight to be selected for rejection by lot.

In the case of horses engaged in more than one race on the same day, when such races are affected by the conditions of elimination, a horse if an acceptor for more than one race, shall be permitted to start in one race only. The qualification to start to be determined in the order of the races on the advertised programme.

The Committee reserves the power from time to time to alter the date of running, to make any alteration or modification in this programme, alter the sequence of the races and the time for taking entries, declaration of handicaps, forfeits or acceptances, to vary the distance of any race and to change the venue of the meeting, and in the event of the Outer Course being used, races will be run at "About" the distances advertised.

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M. D. J. DAWSON, Secretary.

# It's a Long Road from the Ice-Age to the Melbourne Cup

The paleontologist will tell you that the main key to the survival of the horse species has been speed. This may be hard to believe if you have been out of luck in picking Randwick winners, but the scientist is thinking of the species as a whole, not of separate individuals in it. And, to him, almost every part of the horse's structure reflects Nature's selection of the species for survival because of quick get-away and stamina.

COUPLED with the factors of speed and stamina has been the species' increasing ability to chew and digest a wide variety of herbage. Starting with little Echippus of 55 million years ago, the expert can trace these factors through the evolution of the horse, as enemies, conditions and environment weeded out the slowest and the weakest. The stages in this evolution are usually grouped as shown on the table on this page below. Echippus, the first recognisably horse-like creature, was about the size of a small dog, with four toes on each foot and simple, rather dog-like teeth. Let us now examine the last product of this scale—equus, the modern horse.

All mammals have much in common in their skeletal structure. Therefore the horse's skeleton can be compared with a man's. In this comparison the horse's special characteristics are clearly seen. First, the horse's backbone is practically rigid, carrying the powerful drive of the hind legs without wobble—like the torque tube of a The upper limbs, motor car. corresponding to man's thigh and upper-arm, are relatively short, and are embedded in muscle of the animal's body instead of being free of the trunk. The lower limbs are longer in ratio to give the mechanical advantage of longer stride; but the loss in leverage must be compensated for by the greater mass of muscle on the upper limbs.

Man walks upon the ground with his whole foot planted solidly, heel on the ground. The horse's heel-the point of the hock—is elevated and the limbs are still further lengthened for greater speed by the elongation of the metatarsals (cannon bones) which correspond to the short bones of man's foot. Man has five digits; in the horse all but the central digit has been lost over the ages, leaving in the hoof a highly specialised design for grip with turfy ground, compact yet light.

Similar comparison may be made between the fore-limbs of horse and man. To summarise, the nearest a man could get to a horse in function would be to run along on his middle fingernails and middle toenails . . . rather difficult, even on New Year's Eye.

The bones themselves of the horse have been specialised for speed. They are thin-walled but very dense, and the ends are internally braced with hundreds of little partitions which serve to distribute the impact of each stride, without increase in weight. In man, there are two bones in each of the lower limbs to assist in the complicated rotary action of ankles and wrist. In the horse, the corresponding bones have fused into one, with only vestiges of the second remaining.

### Stages in the Evolution of the Horse

Millions of Years Ago	Forest Browsing	Browsing and Grazing	Grazing
55 44 40	Eohippus Orohippus Epihippus	ordina o materiale	
35 25 20 19 15 10 7 5	Mesohippus	Mesohippus Miohippus Parahippus Merychippus	Merychippus Pliohippus Plesippus Equus— Modern Horse



Skeleton formation of man compared with modern horse.

Horses, in common with many running mammals, have no collarbones. Movement of the shoulder-blades, which is checked in man by the collarbones braced against the thorax, is checked in the horse by "shock-absorbing" muscle and ligaments which soften the impact in jumping.

The teeth of the horse are unique. On each side of the upper and lower jaw are three cropping teeth, one canine (usually in males only) and seven grinders—a total of 44. In

structure, the teeth consist of multiple-folded cement, dentine and enamel, so made that, as the cement and dentine wear away, the sharp rasp-like enamel is constantly protruding. The teeth are very long, and "grow" by moving from their seat in the jawbone as the top surfaces are worn away. All this complicated mechanism is necessary to reduce coarse herbage to a digestible mass without the large and weighty cudchewing stomachs of ruminant animals.

If you have been following the other articles of this series, you will have noted how these unique characteristics of the horse have emerged one by one in the horse's ancestral tree. Perhaps the story as told by the paleontologist sounds almost too good to be true. That is probably because it has been over-simplified in the telling. The chart, for instance, shows what appears to be a perfectly straight line of development from one species to the next . . . what the scientists call orthogenesis, or "directed evolution." At one time it was thought that some motivating force caused certain species to evolve in specified directions; now it is seen that orthogenesis is the effect changing environment, rather than a cause. It is recognised that many side issues can be related to the main line of development.

For example, Mesohippus was the ancestor of Miohippus; but he was also ancestor to a horse called Hypohippus, who retained his soft teeth and outside toes and attained quite a large size, but died out about the time Pliohippus was coming on the scene. Again, a descendant of Pliohippus in South America was a short-legged and large-headed species, probably rather like a pig. Despite their great numbers, they were extinct before historic times.

In fact, these divergencies from the main stem serve to point the fact that the evolution from Eohippus to Equus was a series of successful adaptations to meet changing environment. The unsuccessful adaptations failed to survive. In the next and concluding article of this series we will indicate how far intensive breeding can hope to emulate nature in evolving "equus" into something different . . . and faster.

# SUMMARY OF SPORTS

### SWIMMING

TATTERSALL'S CLUB swimming pool has been used and greatly appreciated by many famous swimmers in the past. Within the next few weeks it may see another overseas champion in the French giant, Alex Jany.

After years of negotiation, the Australian Swimming Union has clinched a visit by this glamorous Frenchman—the outstanding swimmer Europe has produced in the past decade.

Possessing a magnificent physique, Jany stands 6.2 tall and scales 15.0 when in top racing condition.

A real water-baby, he has spent as much time in the water as out of it since his father first taught him to swim at Toulouse when only four years of age.

Jany's father controls the pool at Toulouse and also made his daughter a European champion.

Alex is short-sighted and always swims wearing contact lenses. He is able to see the turns well enough, however, and he is the toast of swimming fans wherever he goes in Europe.

The French champion won the European 200 and 400 metres titles again last season so that his form is still first rate.

He is the present holder of the European records for 100 metres in 56.2 seconds and 400 metres in 4 min. 35.2 secs.

For variety Jany plays water polo—he has to be in the water, anyway—and he is just as good at that as at swimming.

On his tour of Australia he will swim in every State.

Big hold-up in previous negotiations to secure a visit by Jany

was the fact that he did not like leaving home.

But no trouble is expected in that regard now. Alex will be on his honeymoon, marrying a day or so before he leaves for Sydney by air.

### TENNIS

AS the big tennis season progresses two points become more and more evident—Harry Hopman is our best "player" and the Australian Davis Cup prospects must visit Wimbledon next winter.

The failures of the Davis Cup giant-killers of a few months earlier, Frank Sedgman and Ken McGregor, in the N.S.W. championships last month, underlined the value of Hopman's brains as Cup non-playing captain.

McGregor played like a novice against American Art Larsen and it seemed inconceivable that he could have beaten Ted Schroeder in the vital Cup singles only a matter of weeks previously.

On McGregor's form not even his greatest friends could have compared him with Schroeder.

In other overseas matches observers were not impressed by Sedgman but they had to agree that he rose right to the occasion in the Cup challenge round.

Sedgman also failed to impress keen tennis men as a master tactician in the N.S.W. championships and he also must have done befter overseas. All this points to the fact that in the Davis Cup matches these young fellows had the wily Hopman advising them and it must have been his strategy that made them world-beaters.

The necessity to send the team to Wimbledon must not be overlooked.

Australia cannot afford to allow its players to spend next winter away from tennis in Australia and then saddle up to defend the Cup in November or December against men who have had months of intensive match play.

And the tennis controllers must see that Hopman goes with the team to Wimbledon to sum up the likely opposition and, more important, to gauge the quality of our own champions.

### ATHLETICS

A USTRALIA'S champion girl sprinter, 19-years-old Marjorie Jackson, this summer will probably better her world 100 yards record by one-fifth of a second.

Her coach (Jimmy Monaghan) and other experts are quite confident about it.

Miss Jackson set her world record, 10.7 sec., in Newcastle last March.

Monaghan bases his beliefs on the fact that Miss Jackson will have first - class opposition throughout the summer—the sort to make her stretch out.

Australia will send a team of 40 odd athletes, swimmers, boxers, cyclists and rowers to the Canterbury Centennial Games—all at New Zealand's expense.

It will be a stiffer task for Australia's amateur talent than were the British Empire Games which we monopolised in New Zealand last February.

This is because Americans and Europeans will compete.

# TOPICS

# in 60-second sketches

Australians will be engaged in two virtual world championships at the Games.

Our eight-oar rowing crew, which won the Empire Games title, will meet 1948 Olympic Games winner California University, and our British Empire 440 yards track champion, Edwin Carr, will meet Jamaica's 1948 Olympic Games winner, Arthur Wint.

Carr has already defeated the world 440 yards' record holder, Jamaican Herb McKenley.

The Australian team will include three other Empire champions—Victorian Ray Weinberg (120 yards hurdler), Shirley Strickland (women's 80 metres hurdles), and Victorian backstroke swimmer Judy Joy Davies.

Early in the New Year, Australia will probably have a visit from four French and one Finnish men athletes and champion French swimmer Alex Jany.

Australia will accept the French team if European 100 metres champion Eteine Bally is included.

Australian officials want Bally to match him against Empire dual sprint champion John Treloar.

### CRICKET

44 T would never have done for Lord's." The remark was passed at the recent Brisbane Test when disgruntled Queenslanders pelted meat pies, not even hot, at turnstile attendants because rain had washed out play.

It most certainly would have been out of place at Lord's, the most exclusive cricket ground in the world.

The controlling club, the Marylebone Cricket Club, is unchallenged leader of English cricket.

It organises tours, invites players to represent England and has a waiting list of hundreds.

At one time babies were nominated at birth but this was discontinued in 1919 and now boys have to be 14 before they can join the queue for vacancies.

Indicative of the keenness of Englishmen to join Lord's was the rush about 10 years ago when it was decided to grant 100 life memberships at £100 each to raise £10,000 to buy additional land. There were 240 immediate applications and a ballot was necessary. Lord's derives its name not from the nobility but from one Thomas Lord, a Yorkshireman who liked his cricket.

He started the ground himself, aided by the backing of the Earl of Winchilsea, whom he had coached.

When Lord retired after profitably staging other sports as well as cricket on the ground he sold out to a groundsman, J. H. Dark, who in turn sold the lease to the M.C.C. for £12,500.

In the late 1850's builders wanted the ground but were thwarted and finally when the freehold was sold in 1860, the M.C.C. would not take Dark's advice to bid for it. It was knocked down for £7,000 and later the club had to pay £25,000 for it.

To-day, of course, it is worth much more than that and its exclusiveness makes it a worthy feature of world sport.



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# The Brains behind Our Davis Cup Win

# **U.S. Critics Praise Harry Hopman**

When the B.C.P.A. plane touched down after its trans-Pacific flight at Mascot on the 30th September last, a crowd of officials and tennis fans was assembled to greet the returning Australian Davis Cup Team. The most enthusiastic welcome by public and experts alike was given, not to the players, but to the team's captain and manager, Harry Hopman.

A USTRALIA has been very fortunate in possessing a series of world-ranking tennis players who have, on retirement from championship play, continued to devote their energies and experience to the game. It is probably this single factor, more than any other, that has enabled Australia to attain a grading in World tennis out of all proportion to her population.

First, there is Sir Norman Brookes. A Davis Cup player who was the Australian member of the Australasian team that gained the Cup for the first time in the years before World War I. Sir Norman has given many years as the guiding hand of Australian tennis. Then, Jack Crawford, one of the greatest players the world has seen, whose tactics and training methods have continued to place our young stars in international grade. There are, of course, many others, but the third outstanding personality is undoubtedly Harry Hopman, whose leadership and management in tactics off-the-court have brought us the Cup twice already.

Harry Hopman, now 44, first showed his interest in tennis when he was a pupil at Fort Street High. At 16 he was striking trouble from his teachers, who told him he would never get anywhere "dreaming tennis all the time." He learned the

finer points of match play from Horrie Rice, a master of tactics. In three years he was in the first flight in Australian tennis, causing comment because, like Rice, he used to hit a couple of balls straight in the air before a match to gauge wind-drift. He learnt more tactics from Jack Crawford, whom he partnered in a number of national and international matches.

For fifteen years, Harry Hopman stayed in the international grade of tennis—and, in fact, he is still in international grade as far as doubles play is concerned. In the years before World War II he was famous for his fighting qualities from seemingly hopeless positions.

This fighting quality, plus an amazingly wide experience in tennis strategy and tactics, plus a great deal of likeable charm and understanding, have made Hopman one of the greatest team-managers in the world. His handling of situations in the successful 1939 quest for the Davis Cup was good. His handling of the quest for the Cup in 1950 was even better. In the finals v. U.S. he played the joker he had been holding up his sleeve in the person of Ken McGregor.

You will remember that Australia's first matches in this year's series were v. Canada in the Pacific zone. Canada, not a strong country where tennis



Harry Hopman thinking one out in the N.S.W. Championship singles. (Photo. courtesy "S.M.H.")

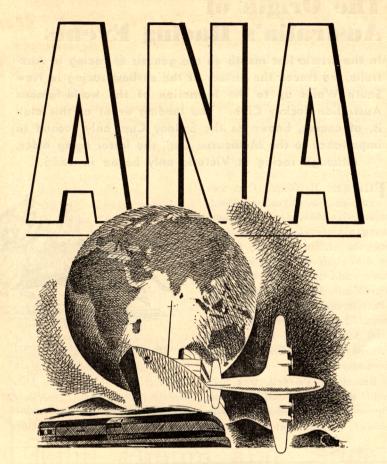
is concerned, did not test the team sufficiently for the play to be any indication of form to the watching experts. Australia took the rubber at 5-0.

The team then went South to play Mexico. On the first day Frank Sedgman won from

Gustavo Palafox and John Bromwich did the same v. Armando Vega. Sedgman and Bromwich clinched the series by beating Vega and Palafox in the doubles. On the final day's play, Sedgman beat Vega, but Ken McGregor, playing well below form, was defeated by Palafox. After this, McGregor was, in the eyes of the experts, written off by Hopman, for in the interzone final v. Sweden, he was not chosen to play at all. The experts were engaged in analysing the faults and strengths of Sedgman and Bromwich, who appeared to be going to make a two-man team. In the matches played on the 12th, 13th and 14th August, Australia had a rather narrow 3-2 win, with Lennert Bergelin beating Sedgman and Bromwich in succession, but the other three matches coming our way.

In the Davis Cup final v. U.S., played at Forest Hills in the last days of August, Frank Sedgman started well by defeating Brown. Then Harry Hopman brought out his joker. McGregor, intensively Ken coached and vastly improved. defeated Ted Schroeder. Bromwich and Sedgman then clinched our hold on the Cup by defeating Mulloy and Schroeder. On the final day, Sedgman beat Schroeder, Brown beat an exhausted McGregor.

Harry Hopman's training methods, his insistence on fitness-learnt from Crawfordhis easy going friendliness and leadership that moulded the team into an efficient whole; above all, his tactics on and off the court, brought us success in the Cup series this year. the same Harry Hopman, with the players that have gained us the Cup, plus talented youngsters like George Worthington and Mervyn Rose, will depend our chance of retaining it in 1951.



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# The Origin of Australia's Racing Events

In the article last month on the genesis of racing in Australia, we traced the history of the earliest racing in New South Wales up to the formation of the world-famous Australian Jockey Club. The leading event of this club is, of course, known as the Sydney Cup, only second in importance to the Melbourne Cup, the latter being older, although racing in Victoria only began in 1838.

THE first Melbourne Cup was run at Flemington on November 7, 1861, the conditions being a sweepstakes of 20 sovereigns, with a 10 sovs. forfeit or 5 sovs. if declared, with 200 sovs. added by the Victorian Turf Club. Most racegoers know that Archer won easily in 3 mins. 52 secs. There were seventeen starters, and an accident caused Medora, Twilight and Despatch to fall.

Racing in Victoria was first held at Batman's Hill, where Spencer Street, Melbourne, is to-day, in 1838, but there is no Purse. The next year racing was held at Flemington, but until 1846 was confined to local horses. In 1840 the first w.f.a. race was held, run in heats of two miles and a distance, and won by Mr. C. Campbell's Petrel, a four-year-old.

The Victoria Turf Club car-

The Victoria Turf Club carried on racing and established the St. Leger in 1850, the first event being won by Mr. G. Main's Dinah. This club also



record in existence of that early meeting. The following year the programme included a Town Plate, which was won by J. Proctor's Mountain Maid, which also annexed the Squatters'

established a Derby in 1855, when Mr. E. Rose was successful with Rose of May. Flying Doe won in the following year. In 1857 the Victoria Jockey Club came into existence, and Tricolor won the Derby.

In 1857 Alice Hawthorne won the Great Australian Sweepstakes, whereupon the Victorian sports became very cock-a-hoop, and a challenge was issued that "Victoria is open to run a horse bred in that colony, 3 miles, w.f.a., against any horse bred in New South Wales for £1,000 a side." New South Wales was not slow in replying, and the challenge was accepted by Mr. G. T. Rowe, owner of Veno, a good performer, and on October 3, 1857, the Victorians were very chagrined to see Veno, with J. Higginson in the saddle, win easily by two lengths in 6 mins. 12 secs. In a second match for £400, Mr. Rowe was successful with Cooramin, Higginson again being the pilot. The Victorians wanted another match, and nominated Van Tromp, S. Maher up. Mr. Rowe laid £500 to £400



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on his horse Veno, and Higginson won even more easily than before.

The upshot of these matches was the establishment in 1859 of a Champion Race Sweepstakes of £100 h. ft., £500 added w.f.a., 3 miles. Mr. W. C. Yuille, well known for many years as a salesman of blood stock and the founder of the firm which bore his name, was the first winning owner of this event with Flying Buck (H. Yeend). time was  $5.57\frac{1}{2}$ . In 1860 the Champion Race was run at Randwick and Mr. J. Tait's Zoe won. The same horse was successful in the third Champion Race at Ipswich (Q.) in 1860. This race was continued for many years under the title of Champion Stakes until in 1915 it was re-named the King's Plate (2 miles).

It was in 1864 that the Victorian Racing Club came into existence and took over the management of the great Victorian races, and in 1871 added the Maribyrnong Plate for two-year-olds, and in 1874 the Newmarket. The Victoria Amateur Turf Club began its activities on a public reserve at Caulfield in 1878, and in 1879 the first Caulfield Cup was won by Mr. A. Chirnside's Newminster.

The first Geelong Cup was run in 1872, Flying Scud winning, the first Moonee Ponds Cup in 1883, and the first Williamstown Cup in 1888.

The pioneer winner of Adelaide racing events was Black Jack, owned by Mr. J. H. Fisher, which won the main event of the first meeting in 1838. Mr. C. B. Fisher, a name of renown in the history of Australian racing, won South Australia's first Derby in 1860. The first Adelaide Cup, run in the same year, was won by Mr. W. Dowling's Falcon.

Racing was firmly established in Queensland in 1866, when Mr. T. F. Ryan's Forrester won the first Brisbane Cup. Mr. E. Parry-Okeden was successful in the first Queensland Derby with Hermit.

Tasmania was holding regular race meetings long before Victoria. It is on record that racing was definitely established in the Speck in 1831. The first Launceston Cup was won by Mr. S. Blackwell's Panic in 1865, and Mr. P. Lewis was successful in the first Hobart Cup in 1875 with Ella.

Corisande won the first Perth Cup in 1879.

Almost from the inception of racing in New South Wales, Australian breeders have provided some wonderful horseflesh which very quickly attracted the attention of the world. In the early days there were such notable performers as Abdallah, Australian, Chance

and Counsellor. That indisputable champion from 1825 to 1830, Junius, was a magnificent example of the horse of stamina that the Australian climate can produce. Mention must also be made of Jorrocks, a bright bay with black points, who was the greatest racehorse of his period. Jorrocks was bred by Mr. H. Bayley at Bayley Park, near Mudgee. He was by Whisker from Matilda, by Steeltrap, and foaled in 1833. He was not broken in until rising four. He was used for a while as a stockhorse, but won a 25 sov. sweepstake in 1841. He was then eight years old, and Mr. R. Rouse purchased him for eight springing heifers! On March 16, 1841, at Homebush, Jorrocks was second to Chestnut Prince in the Ladies' Purse, and from then on until 1852(!) competed on all the principal tracks of New South Wales. In all he raced 90 times, won 65 times,

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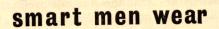
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and was second on 21 occasions. He was actually 19 years old when he won his last race. How many modern horses could claim vigour such as that? Most of the events in which Jorrocks competed were run in heats, and it has been estimated that he covered nearly 200 miles of racing during his career. His final race was run at Homebush in 1852.

Another fine animal was Chester (by Yattenden), who won the V.R.C. Derby and Melbourne Cup in the same year (1877) and altogether won 18 races worth £8,174. In a way, such a sum in those days would put even the earnings of Gloaming in the shade. Another Yattenden horse in Grand Flaneur who, in 1880, was unbeaten in nine races, won the Derby, Town Plate, and Melbourne Cup in the same year, and his winnings totalled £7,939. The Melbourne Cup winner of 1884 was also a remarkable performer. This was Malua (by St. Albans) who, in the same year, won the Melbourne Cup, the Newmarket, the Australian Cup, the Grand National Hurdle, and other races.

And this article would scarcely be complete without reference to "Old Jack"—Carbine—who carried 10st. 5lb. to victory in the Melbourne Cup of 1890, when 39 horses started. His time was 3 mins. 284 secs. He was unplaced only once. His record was 43 starts, 33 wins, 6 seconds, and 3 thirds. He earned £29,626.

There have been some good mares. Briseis, the wonder of 1876. Then there is Wakeful, who won £16,690 in prize money. Out of 56 starts Desert Gold recorded 36 wins, 12 seconds and four thirds, earning £23,133.



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### MAURICE McCARTEN— PREMIER TRAINER

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been Columnist's Caulfield and Williamstown Cups; Chitral's Canterbury Cup; Sweet Chime's A.J.C. Gimerack and the V.R.C. Oaks Stakes; Monmouth and Delta's Canterbury Guineas. Delta also won the V.R.C. Derby. Some of the richer prizes have eluded him, as in 1946, when Flying Duke was beaten a neck in the A.J.C. Derby and Swan River just failed to get in front in the Sydney Cup. Another keen disappointment, too, was when Monmouth broke down on the eve of a Melbourne Cup, when his chances appeared extremely rosy.

Maurice McCarten is recognised as one of the busiest trainers in Sydney. His present string consists of more than 40 horses, nearly all of them in two-vear-olds His have been outstanding this last year, and he had winners in French Cavalier, and among the fillies, Charlotte, Even Flow, Syncopation, Rippling Tide, Bil-Glistening. low. Fair Diana, Older horses that were among his winners for last season were Galway Bay and Phalanx from New Zealand, Firing Line, Heritor, Delta, Furdan, Great Trek. and Daksha apart from the others that have been previously mentioned.

McCarten is a busy man; but success has never gone to his

head. However busy he is, he can always find time and money to help a deserving cause or charity along, as quite a number of club members can testify.

Maurice McCarten is following hard in the footsteps of George Price, one of Australia's greatest trainers, who died last year, and for whom Maurice was for some time number one rider. Other first-class trainers for whom he rode before 1942 were Fred Jones, Fred Williams, James Scobie, Jack Holt and Richard Bradfield. work and race riding of horses," says Maurice McCarten, "I came to know what they expected of sprinters and stayers alike. I learnt their methods, their approach to training problems generally, their care in planning programmes progressive youngsters.

"Their methods were good ones, and all I have done is to apply them with success."

Attention is drawn to the Club rule that members I must remain in the company of visitors brought by them into the Club.

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# Looking Back on Tattersall's Club

X December, 1929

THE issue of 7th December, 1929, rang down the curtain on a year of changes. One innovation in particular had been the inauguration of this magazine itself . . . the first issue was February, 1929. Although the new building had been open a few years, committeemen were still feeling their way in the making of new facilities for members. Among new services were the opening of the lounge on the fourth floor, and the beginning of the buffet on the third. In the December issue is brief mention of the "industrial difficulties" of the day . . . for the depression had just storted. The end of 1929 was the end of an era of prosperity; the years ahead were to be years of test for members and for the Club.

THE Motoring Section of December, 1929, was particularly large in anticipation of the holiday season. Members sported New Century Hupmobiles, Graham Paiges, Studebaker Presidents. To motor all the way to Melbourne or to Brisbane was still an adventure.

A GROUP of members, headed by Robert Walder, had formed the committee of a Charity Ball, held on 28th November. A highly successful affair, the Ball had realised over £1,200 for St. Luke's and the Royal Alexandra Hospitals.

THE Club's Domino Championship was in full swing, with the first round completed, and the second under way. MEMBERS of the C.T.A. Club visited us on 21st November, 1929, to take part in a further joust of the inter-club tourney. Once again we had rather the better of the rubber, winning the Bridge (Auction) by three to one, losing the dominoes love-three, winning the billiards by three-love, and the snooker by two to one. After the play, the exhausted visitors were entertained at supper in the clubroom.

A SPECIAL Christmas dinnerand-dance was scheduled for 14th December—apart from the usual Christmas Day dinner.

PERSONAL NOTES of December, 1929: Mr. H. P. Christmas travelled to Queensland by the Ormiston. Pastpresident James Barnes and his son, W. J. Barnes, were having some success as ownersfirst with Starlike, then Bill Jim, then again with Sweet Oration. Mr. W. Kelso (senior) was not as active as formerly, and friends teased him that he had broken down like his horse Bacchus. Mr. C. O'Rourke had a win in each division of the Flying at Canterbury with his horses Ila Tait and Prince Otto ... a further coincidence, each broke the course record for the six furlongs at 1.13. Mr. Eric Welch was on holiday at Woy Wov. Mr. A. J. Matthews was down in Melbourne for a visit. Mr. R. Wooton had just opened a new picture theatre and block of shops at Kensington.

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### FIRST TATTERSALL'S CUP

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The band of the Fiftieth Regiment provided the music.

Racing was interesting and opened with an event over hurdles for which Comet went out at even money.

He refused the second jump and Mountain Maid (3 to 2) ridden by Chiffney won.

Mr. W. Dines won the Maiden Stakes with The Nalean (J. Woods) who went out at 2 to 1 on favourite.

North Australian left the paddock favourite for Tattersall's Cup at 2 to 1 while 5 to 2 was obtainable on Bulginbare.

A splendid finish terminated in Bulginbare, eleverly ridden by G. "Squeaker" Thompson, winning by a neck from North Australian (S. Holmes) with Premier (Ruddle) third, time 3 mins. 394 secs.

Next to the Cup, the most im-

portant event was the Duke of Edinburgh Stakes, 14 miles.

Though he had incurred a 10 lb. penalty, making his weight 9 st. 5 lbs. Bulginbare was saddled up for it.

He went out at 8 to 1 and won easily from Hambeledon Hill with Sir John third in 3 mins. 16 secs.

The winner, who was owned by the late Mr. H. Bowman, was bred by Messrs. Barnes and Smith Bros.

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